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Members present Raymond Tryon, Conrad Ohman, Chris Blair, Howard Burns, Muriel Lazzarini.

C. Blair had attended the MACC fall meeting. He reported that the bulk of the information was good though general. A DEP, Western office official had presented slides showing projects they were called to review or were having problems with. Many of the slides had to do with the site contractors attempting great feats that were under-engineered and with lack of careful maintenance on hay bale/silt fence mitigation measures.

The DEP, Boston office official who spent over an hour commenting on the River Bill basically said that they had not written the regulations, that the burden was on the local Conservation Commissions, and that they would be gathering "input" from the scheduled, state-wide meetings. C. Ohman showed the invitational brochure mentioning the 2 seminars in Pittsfield.

<u>Kost</u> Continued NOI scheduled first for 7:00 PM. C. Ohman was notified by Mike Kulig of White Engineering, Pittsfield, MA that they were not able to reconvene on this case as they had not finished revising the RDA. M. Kulig requested continuing the case.

Wilkinson NOI 7:30 PM Public hearing opened by reading of public notice. Joe Wilkinson present, also M. Kulig, White Engineering. This meeting subsequent to RDA on 8 July 1996 with issue of P3 determination. M. Kulig pointed out two main modifications to plan drawing: 1) the flagging of the BVW, delineated by G. Winig, which is keyed to the G. Winig report, and 2) the inclusion of 3 detention basins on the slope that drains into the existing shallow Isolated Pond and thence to Lake Buel. An argument presented was that the whole work area is gravel and when finish graded with new topsoil, seeded, and mulched the whole area a) will not be any more or less pervious that prior to work, even though the area will be void of all currently existing timber and vegetative species, and b) the area being gravel will allow all rainfall to percolate quickly into the ground. R. Tryon indicated the whole of the Lake Buel area was essential a quick draining aquifer pre-filter.

The commission queried J. Wilkinson as to the quantity of material that will be removed. The application indicated the time period of the mining operation will be 18 months, from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. J. Wilkinson said he thought the amount of material removed would be 10,000 Cubic Yards. C. Blair wondered about the line of the 100' Buffer Zone; M. Kulig noted that the one shown on the drawing was from the Isolated Pond edge not the newly flagged BVW; he indicated he would revise the line.

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During discussion of the impact of the work, cutting of the trees, topsoil removal, etc., the commission felt it important to make a site visit with all present. A time of 9:30 AM Saturday 16 November 1996 was set. Both J. Wilkinson and M. Kulig indicated they would be able to be present. C. Ohman mentioned we should notify Richard Nault who was not present.

J. Wilkinson frequently mentioned the benefit of creation of a new road to serve some lakeside cottages. It was unclear from the application whether the new road was the paved road mentioned in the application or not. J. Wilkinson noted that the necessary town mining permit had not been obtained from the Town of Monterey, but he was in the process of doing so.

The hearing was continued until the scheduled site visit where more information will be gathered by the commission. Time 8:04 PM

Bach RDA 8:05 PM Request to drill a well on the property of J. Garber. Work to be in the buffer zone of Lake Garfield. M. Kulig, White Engineering and J. Bach present. M. Kulig presented a site plan showing a well location, 1,750 S.F. house footprint, septic tank, sand pre-filter, and leeching field. The discussion tended to cover all the elements shown but we noted the application was only for the well drilling. The applicant said that was the first step in her proposed project. C. Blair had visited the site previously and was concerned about how the well truck would get to the well site. M. Kulig said a road would be installed and the truck would approach the well site along a level contour. The commission requested he show a drilling sump pit, the new temporary road, and necessary precautions to prevent any eroded material from entering the lake. M. Kulig entered these on the project site plan. C. Blair noted that the stone stairway and stone terrace were not shown on the plan. The plan showed the existing "boat house" building sitting astride the westerly property line, partially on the neighboring lot. The commission wondered how many trees would have to be cut to do the well work; M. Kulig expressed the idea that not many would need to be cut for the well work.

<u>Kost</u> 8:45 PM The public hearing was continued until the next scheduled meeting of the Conservation Commission, 9 December 1996.

<u>Hulit</u> We reviewed an application by Hewlitt, submitted by surveyor P. McLogan, for the Chapter 91 dock amnesty program. Several stamped drawings were included showing a 5' x 35' dock on the property. So much discussion ensued that R. Tryon said that he would be in the area Wednesday and would stop into observe the dock to verify its existence.

The meeting adjourned about 9:15 PM.

Submitted, Christopher Blair